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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **6180** , S-2014

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONTINUE TO PROMOTE THE USE OF HANDWRITING IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

Introduced by Councilor JULIENNE ALYSON RAE V. MEDALLA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Dorothy A. Delarmente, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Ramon P. Medalla, Estrella C. Valmocina, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jaime F. Borres, Marvin C. Rillo, Vincent DG. Belmonte, Bayani V. Hipol, Jose A. Visaya, Godofredo T. Liban II, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Candy A. Medina, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Donato C. Matias and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, advances in technology over the past decades have made computers and other electronic gadgets a vital part of our daily living;

WHEREAS, children are introduced to computers at an early age where they are taught how to type, and use the Internet;

WHEREAS, this early exposure to and the increasing dependence on technology has made teaching skills such as handwriting a lower priority as compared to teaching "21st century skills" such as communication via digital devices;

WHEREAS, in an Educational Summit conducted by Saperstein Associates in partnership with the American Association of School Administrators in 2012, a study was presented that showed that the continuous instruction on the use of handwriting has numerous benefits for the students that range from increased literacy skills (reading, writing, and oral language) to improved critical thinking and thought organization;

WHEREAS, the said study also showed that students in Grades 2, 4, and 6 who still had classes and class activities that involved handwriting wrote more words faster, expressed more ideas, and the length of their compositions were longer than those whose instruction in handwriting were replaced by computers by the 1st Grade;

WHEREAS, it is recommended that in activities such as note-taking, answering short essays, composing stories, and classes that instruct and practice penmanship be the avenues for the promotion of handwriting until at least the 6th grade;

WHEREAS, in working towards the modernization of our educational system, it is still extremely important that the development of foundational skills be continued.

NOW, THEREFORE,

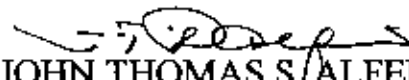
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to recommend, as it does hereby recommend to the Department of Education to continue to promote the use of handwriting in all public and private schools.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be sent to Dr. Ponciano A. Menguito, the Quezon City Schools Division Superintendent, and Mayor Herbert M. Bautista, the Head of the Local School Board.

ADOPTED: November 17, 2014.



ANTHONY PETER D. CRISOLOGO
Acting Vice Mayor
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on November 17, 2014 and was CONFIRMED on November 24, 2014.


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III